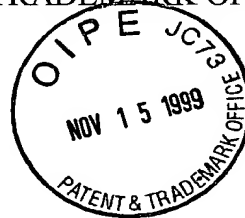


REISSUE PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Broadening Reissue Application of

Osamu TANITSU, Takashi MORI
and Noriaki YAMAMOTO



Application No.: 09/326,214 (Reissue Application of U.S. Patent No. 5,636,003 issued June 3, 1997 (U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/365,532 filed December 28, 1994))

Filed: June 3, 1999

Docket No.: 103512.99

For: ILLUMINATION OPTICAL APPARATUS
AND SCANNING EXPOSURE APPARATUS

CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE TO REISSUE (37 C.F.R. §1.172(a))
AND OFFER TO SURRENDER LETTERS PATENT (37 C.F.R. §1.178)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The Assignee, Nikon Corporation (by Assignment recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on March 1, 1995 at Reel 7385, Frames 692-694), of U.S. Patent No. 5,636,003 (issued June 3, 1997) hereby consents to this reissue application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R §1.178, Nikon Corporation hereby offers to surrender U.S. Letters Patent 5,636,003 upon allowance of this reissue application.

The undersigned hereby confirms that he has authority to sign this document on behalf of the Assignee.

Date: Aug. 5, 1999

Signature: Tadao Tsuruta
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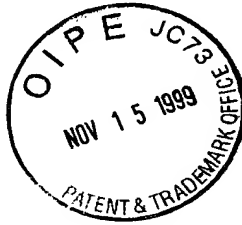
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (copy attached) mailed on June 23, 1999, submitted herewith is the executed Reissue Declaration of the inventors and the executed Consent of Assignee. Any specification attached to and referenced in the Declaration is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the Office in order to obtain a filing date for the application.

Attached is our Check No. 104323 for ☒\$130.00 ☐\$65.00 (small entity statement ☐ has been filed ☐ is attached) for the fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e).

Entry of these documents should complete all of the filing formalities and fully satisfy all requirements of the Notice to File Missing Parts. Accordingly, examination and allowance of this application in due course are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this paper are attached.

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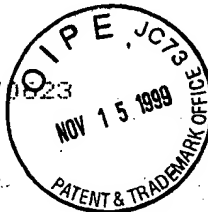
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An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of ☐ \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or ☒ \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

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An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.

☐ 4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.

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Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).

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